

of Freeman, but Amari has given the history of the Normans in Sicily in full in *Storm dei Musulmani in Sicitia*, and the work of these has been carried on by Caspar, Kehr, Chalandon, and other French, German, and Italian scholars, who have worked in the broad field afforded by the subject. In particular I must express my obligation to Chalandon, the latest and on the political side the most thorough of the historians of Norman Italy, upon whose *Domination normande en Italic*, I have based the chronology of my book.

The absence of any standard English book on the Normans and Roger II. has compelled me to use my own discretion on some controversial points in regard to the spelling in names of persons and institutions. Thus, in regard to the personal name Guarinus, I have adopted the form Guarin, though the modern French form Guerin or the Anglo-Norman Warm might have been used, and though his contemporaries in Italy may have known this individual as Guarino.

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connected
with Norman and Hauteville
government in Italy.